

Weathersfield School

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Weekly News Letter from The Principal's Corner *December 9, 2016*

Weathersfield School's National Geographic Bee

The Weathersfield School's Top 10 National Geographic Bee's finalists: **eighth graders Garrett Corliss, Ethan Lawyer, John MacLachlan, Jasmine Martens, Morgan McKeen, Natalie Nichols, and Hunter Watkins; seventh graders Bailey Eddy and Madison Knight; and sixth grader Zed McNaughton** competed in a school-wide Geography Bee on Thursday, December 8, 2016. The two finalists, Hunter Watkins and Garrett Corliss, competed in the championship round until the winner was determined. **Garrett Corliss, an eighth grade student, won the school-level competition of the National Geographic Bee.** He will advance to the next level of the competition, a written examination to determine eligibility as a state competitor. The state competition will be held on Friday, March 31, 2017. The Bee will pay the transportation and accommodation expenses for the state champion to travel to Washington, D.C., to participate in the Bee's national championship rounds May 15 - 17, 2017. Thanks to all the competitors, moderator Ginger Wimberg, judges/timer Kathy Dana, and Tara Smith, room set up by Bryan Woodbury, Theresa White, BJ, Ginger, and Mr. Villa's 5th grade helpers, and computer/projector set up by Mike Walker. Thanks also to Kobe Ovitt-Farr in cleaning up with Bryan, Theresa, and Ginger. Great job done by all!! Good luck, Garrett!

Cathleen Karaffa, Advisor



The Dance Factory's Production of the Nutcracker

Enjoy the magic of the season! Celebrate Weathersfield students as they perform in The Dance Factory's production of The Nutcracker. Our very own **Bonnie Blake** dances the role of Clara, who is attacked by sneaky mice **Tori McNamara** and **Anneka Yuengling**, and **Aria Yuengling** dances in the lovely Waltz of the Flowers. Performances are Saturday, December 10, 2016, at 7pm and Sunday, December 11th, at 2pm. Tickets are \$13 for adults and \$8 for students. Both performances are at Springfield High School. Tickets are available at Tina's Hallmark and Woodbury's Florist in Springfield or at the door.

Service Group Announcement

The Weathersfield School Service Group would like to thank everyone that donated food to fill the Thanksgiving Baskets this year. Eighteen service group members helped 7th period in the multipurpose room on November 16th to fill twenty baskets that went out to families in Weathersfield. Again, many thanks! The service group is a group of Weathersfield School students in grades 5th through 8th who support the school and community through volunteering. Members have been assisting with the morning walking program, recycling, library help, and art help.

Cathleen Karaffa, Jane Duffy, and Tara Smith, Advisors

Holiday Sing-Along

Weathersfield School cordially invites parents, grandparents, friends and neighbors to our annual holiday sing-along on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 8:15 am in the gym. Mr. Shambo, our new music teacher, says he has a whole hour of fun and songs ready to go! Hope you can join us!

Early Dismissal on December 20th

The students will be served lunch and then sent home early on December 20th.

School Board Meets

The WS School Board will be meeting on Monday, December 12, 2016 at 6:30 pm in the AP Room. This is a budget meeting and the Weathersfield Select Board and Town Manager will be on hand to discuss budgets, (the school and the town budgets). As always, these meetings are open to the public.

Writing Club Newsletter

Any student who would like to submit an article, a poem, or some art work to the Writing Club Newsletter, please submit it to the office and we will get it to Mrs. Ostrom, the Writing Club Advisor.

Looking Head

Thursday, January 26, 2017 in an inservice day for teachers. There is no school for students that day.

January 3, 2017

Just a reminder that there is no school in our SU on Monday, January 2, 2017. The first day of school after the holiday break is on January 3rd.

Stay Warm, an arctic blast is on its way!

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